

**IN THE SPECIFICATION:**

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 9, line 25, with the following amended paragraph:

In particular, as regards the processes for synthesizing poly(vinylidene fluoride) (PVDF), patents US-A-3 553 185 and EP-A-0 120 524 disclose processes for synthesizing PVDF by placing vinylidene fluoride (VF<sub>2</sub>) in aqueous suspension and polymerizing it. Patents US-A-4 025 709, US-A-4 569 978, US-A-4 360 652, ~~US-A-626 396~~ and EP-A-0 655 468 disclose processes for synthesizing PVDF by placing VF<sub>2</sub> in aqueous emulsion and polymerizing it.